

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 219 - SB 347

March 12, 2021

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Changes, from November 1st to November 15th, the date by which the Commissioner of the Department of Education (DOE) is required to publish an annual report.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004564): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires the Commissioner of the Department of Education (DOE) to employ a certified school librarian to serve as the Tennessee state library coordinator. Requires the state library coordinator to assist school librarians in implementing the Department's strategic plan and literacy initiatives and train school librarians to strengthen school library programs for students in grades kindergarten through 12.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$79,900/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The proposed legislation creates a new position called the state library coordinator.
- The state library coordinator will need to travel regularly to connect with and support library and technology coordinators across the state.
- DOE will require one Education Consultant 2 position to fill this role resulting in an increase in state expenditures of \$69,855 (\$54,120 salary + \$15,735 benefits) in FY21-22 and subsequent years.
- It is estimated that travel and lodging costs for the state library coordinator will be \$10,000 in FY21-22 and subsequent years.
- The total recurring increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$79,855 (\$69,855 + \$10,000) in FY21-22 and subsequent years.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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